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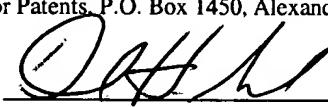
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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF NON-COMPLIANT APPEAL BRIEF

Applicant's counsel and Examiner Kalinowski had a telephone interview on January 3, 2007 with respect to the Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief dated December 5, 2006. During the interview, it was agreed that the Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief dated December 5, 2006 had been issued in error, and that the previously filed Appeal Brief was complaint with 37 CFR 41.37. Withdrawal of the Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief dated December 5, 2006 is therefore respectfully requested.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.8

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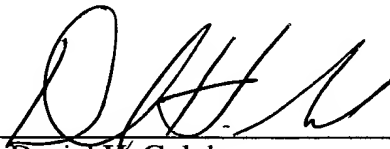
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EXCEPT for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Director is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

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